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#### CANDID READER,

OUNTING myself the least of all Practitioners in Physic and Surgery, it is not from Ostentation, or a vain Endeavour to make myself valued above the rest of my Btethren, that I have got the following Documents Translated and Printed.

In many English Families, where I have the Honour to practise, I have not only been advised, but urgently pressed to do it, for the following Two Reasons:

First, In order to let the Public know that I am no Interloper, who by chance has pickt up a Receipt how to prepare a Plaster, or to serve some Drops, let it be to some or to no Purpose: But that I have had the regular Education of a Surgeon. That, after the Expiration of mine Apprenticeship, I have served as Surgeon's Man under several Masters abroad, and at Hamburg attended the Lazaretto, where there is a Conflux of both internal and external Ailments. And having afterwards, at the University of Göttingen, frequented the Physical, Anatomical, and Botanical Lectures of two eminent Professors, I was at Lüneburg received a Member of the College of Surgeons, and had the Care of the Prisoners in the Fortress, and the Invalides quartered in the Town; People among whom a Surgeon has abundant Opportunities to become a Proficient both in the Theory and Practice of his Art.

Secondly, That fince I am a Stranger in this Part of the World, Magistrates may be convinced, that I have enjoyed in Europe the Protection of Persons of Dignity, and that both my Conduct and Talents have been approved by them.

So that, consequently, I may make bold in America, not to claim but to beg the Favour of the Public in General, and the Patronage of Persons of Distinction in Particular; assuring every one in his Station, that it shall be my unwearied Endeayour to merit the Name of

THEIR faithful and devoted humble Servant,



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TATHEREAS Bono Otto, a Native of Hanover, who, according to his Indenture produced before us, has served a regular Apprenticeship of Three Years to Mr. John Albrecht Klärchen, Member of the College of Surgeons at Hildesheim, concerning which he has also shewn a proper Testimony; And has afterwards been Surgeon to a Company of Cavalry in the Regiment of Lieutenant General BOTTMAR, in which Service he behaved to every one's Satisfaction, as his Discharge witnesseth; And has likewise with several Masters here at Lüneburg, at Hamburg, &c. practifed the Art of Surgery: And being now defirous to be received a Member of the College of Surgeons in this City; Therefore we, the Physicians whose Names are hereunto subscribed, with the Assistance of three Surgeons of the College, viz. Mr. FRANCIS JULIUS PERIFFER. Mr. N. BUNCKE, and Mr. PHILIP GERHARD DÖPKING, undertaking, according to the King's Order, his Examination, on the 13th Day of June, 1736, the faid Candidate having previously declared his Intention to remain by the Art of Surgery, and to improve himself therein, have questioned him on the Offeology, Splanchnology, the Circulation of the Blood, Bleeding, and the necessary Precautions with regard to it, as well concerning the Cure of an Artery accididentally touched, as also the Knowledge about the Gangræna and the Sphacelus, and the proper Remedies for their Cure; likewise concerning Wounds and their Accidents; and laftly about the Instruments, and the external Remedies to be applied by Surgeons; all according to the Tenour of the original Writings thereof, kept in our Office of Records: Leaving, for the prefent, the rest of his Examination, respecting Luxations, Fractures, &c. to the College of Surgeons here.

Now the abovefaid Candidate Bono Ofto having honcurally answered to his Examination, we, together, have, in Witness of the Truth, granted him this authentic Attestation, corroborated by our

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Hands and Seals, to the End, that thereupon (performing well the rest his Art) he may be received a Member of the College of Surgeons at this Place, and be intrusted with a Surgeon's Office.

Done at Lüneburg, in the Lesser Secretary's Office, at the City Hall, on the 13th Day of June, 1736.

B. A. NOTTELMANN, Dr. Civit. Luneb. Proto-Physic.

H. C. CRÜGER, M. D. & Civ. Luneb. Phys. Ord.

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- (L. S.) FRANCIS JULIUS PFEIFFER, Surgeon to the Regency of the City.
- (L. S.) JACOB BUNCKE, Provincial Surgeon.
- (L. S.) PHILIP GERHARD DÖPKING, Surgeon.

WHEREAS Bodo Otto, of the College of Surgeons of this City, has intimated to me, that he has lately fold his Office, and consequently can no longer attend or cure the Invalides quartered in this Place, being obliged to prepare for his Removal to his new Post on the Hartz; and has therefore requested an Attestation respecting his good Behaviour and assiduous Attendance to his Duty.

Now, the faid Bodo Otto having, at all times, and by all Accidents that have occurred, shewn himself as an honest, experienced and faithful Surgeon, both to the Prisoners in the Fortress Kalkberg at this Place, as also to the Invalides quartered here; I, readily complying with his Request, do by these Presents attest his abovesaid Qualifications, and recommend him in the best manner to every one's Favour.

Lüneburg, November the First, in the Year 1748.

#### (L.S.) P.A. DERION,

Lieutenant Colonel of a Company of Invalides belonging to His Majefty the King of Great Britain, and Elector of Brunswik-Lüneburg.

Trequested of me an Attestation about his Skill and Experience in Surgery; I think it incumbent on me to testify by these Presents, that he did not only well answer to his Examination before the late Mr. Nottelmann, first Physician to the City, and me, in 1736, and that thereupon he was received a Member of the College of Surgeons, and permitted to keep a Surgeon's Office: But that also, since that Time to this Day, he has sufficiently shewn his Ability in Surgery, in many particular and difficult Cases; having but lately made a successful Amputation of a Leg, and happily and well cured the Wound.

In Witness of the above Attestation, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal.

Done at Lüneburg, the 25th Day of November, 1747.

(L. S. Dr. HENRY CHRISTIAN KRÜGER, Physician to the City.

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### Wrote on Stampt Paper.

Done at Schartzfels, on the 31st Day of January, 1750.

HIS Britannic Majesty's Privy Counsellors for the Regency of the Electorate of Brunswick-Lüneburg, having appointed Bodo Otto, after due Inquiry into his Ability and Skill, Chief Surgeon of this Bailiwick; and he having first heard the Warning against Perjury, the following Oath was administred unto him: "You shall vow and swear an Oath unto GOD and by his boly Word, that you will always, in undertaking Chirurgical Cures, as also in Sections and Inspections, make known and indicate the true Circumstances, to the best of your Knowledge and Understanding, and that you will not fail so to do, for the sake of any Reward, Favour, Hatred, Friendship or Enmity, or for any thing else that might be devised by the Senses of Man. So help you GOD and his boly Word."

Done as above.

In Fidem

JACOB Müller,

High Bailiff.





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